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DS&E'S TECHNICAL DEMAND INDEX STILL UNCHANGED

Technical demand as measured by DS&E's HIGH TECHNOLOGY RECRUITMENT INDEX remained virtually unchanged in February, registering 127, a point up from January's 126. This continues the relatively stable performance of the indicator during the past several months. It has fluctuated only within a 10-point range: 123-133.

The static condition of the marketplace is reflected, too, in the single-month data. The March figure is 122, a slide of only one point from the prior month.

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The HTRI is based on the volume of recruitment advertising directed to degreed engineers and scientists in key U.S. newspapers and technical journals each month. Deutsch, Shea and Evans, which has maintained the Index since 1960, is the human resources consulting and advertising subsidiary of Foote, Cone & Belding Communications, Inc.

HIGH TECHNOLOGY RECRUITMENT INDEX

(1961=100; Seasonally Adjusted)

Month	Single-Month Figure	High Technology Recruitment Index*
March	129	137
April	148	139
May	139	141
June	138	138
July	138	135
August	129	133
September	131	130
October	131	128
November	121	123
December	120	125
January, 1985	135	126
February	123	127
March	122	--

*Based on a 3-month running average

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